

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

December 2, 2008

The United States Interagency Council on Homelessness has proclaimed December 1 – 5, 2008, as National Project Homeless Connect Week. Events will be held this week across the nation that unites government, community volunteers, nonprofit agencies, businesses, and faith-based organizations to create a single point of engagement for homeless individuals and families. Last year, over 4000 individuals were connected with services and housing as a result of Project Homeless Connect.

In recognition of the significant impact of this effort, Los Angeles County, in coordination with community partners across the region, is sponsoring Project Homeless Connect Day 2008 on December 4, 2008. Events are scheduled at sites located in downtown Los Angeles, South Los Angeles, East Los Angeles, Pomona, and Glendale. Additional Project Homeless Connect Day events in early 2009 will be held at the West Los Angeles and Culver City Armories; as well as in the Whittier/Norwalk area. County departments, the California Department of Public Health, the Cities of Los Angeles, Pomona, and Glendale, the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, the Social Security Administration, and the Office of Veteran's Affairs and local nonprofit agencies, are participating in these events.

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I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Declare December 4, 2008, as Project Homeless Connect Day in Los Angeles County; and
2. Direct the Chief Executive Officer to work with the Departments of Public Social Services, Mental Health, Public Health, Internal Services, Public Defender, Probation, Children and Family Services, Registrar-Recorder and the Sheriff to ensure their participation in all Project Homeless Connect Day events, and coordinate with County departments regarding deployment of County staff who would work in an official and voluntary capacity at the events.

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